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Chapter 26. Advisory Committee for Children With Special Health Needs

IC 4-23-26-1

"Committee" defined

Sec. 1. As used in this chapter, "committee" refers to the advisory committee for children with special health needs established by section 2 of this chapter.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Establishment

Sec. 2. The advisory committee for children with special health needs is established.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Members

Sec. 3. (a) The committee consists of the following members:

- (1) The director of the children's special health care services program.
- (2) The director of the first steps program.
- (3) The chair of the governor's interagency coordinating council for early intervention.
- (4) The chair of the children's special health care services advisory council under 410 IAC 3.2-11.
- (5) The director of the division of special education created under IC 20-1-6-2.1.
- (6) The director of the division of mental health and addiction.
- (7) One (1) representative of the Indiana chapter of the American Academy of Pediatrics.
- (8) One (1) representative of a family advocacy group.
- (9) Three (3) parents of children with special health needs.
- (10) Three (3) parents of children who are enrolled in the:
 - (A) children's health insurance program under IC 12-17.6; or
 - (B) Medicaid managed care program for children.

(b) The members under subdivisions (1) and (2) are nonvoting members.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161. Amended by P.L.215-2001, SEC.3.

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Members; appointment; terms

Sec. 4. (a) The governor shall appoint the committee members under section 3(7), 3(8), 3(9), and 3(10) of this chapter.

(b) The term of each member appointed under subsection (a) is three (3) years.

(c) A committee member identified in subsection (a) may be reappointed to serve consecutive terms.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Chair

Sec. 5. (a) The director of the children's special health care services program is chair of the committee during odd numbered years.

(b) The director of the first steps program is chair of the committee during even numbered years.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Meetings

Sec. 6. The committee shall meet at least quarterly at the call of the chair.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Quorum

Sec. 7. Eight (8) members of the committee constitute a quorum.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Salary and expenses

Sec. 8. (a) Each member of the committee who is not a state employee is entitled to receive both of the following:

(1) The minimum salary per diem provided by IC 4-10-11-2.1(b).

(2) Reimbursement for travel expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

(b) Each member of the committee who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for travel expenses and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties, as provided in the state travel policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.

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Duties

Sec. 9. The committee shall advise and assist the children's health policy board established by IC 4-23-27-2 in the development, coordination, and evaluation of policies that have an impact on children, with a focus on children with special health needs, by doing the following:

(1) Seeking information from families, service providers, advocacy groups, and health care specialists about state or local policies that impede the provision of quality service.

(2) Taking steps to ensure that relevant health policy issues that have an impact on children are forwarded to the children's health

policy board.

(3) Advising the children's health policy board with respect to the integration of services across:

(A) programs; and

(B) state agencies;

for children with special health needs.

As added by P.L.273-1999, SEC.161.